

Mormon historic markers dedicated in Nebraska, Iowa

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During the calm aftermath the day after a tornado, Latter-day Saints and other citizens gathered July 16 at historic Mormon pioneer sites on each side of the Missouri River to dedicate markers.

Just south of Council Bluffs, Iowa, some 200 people attended the dedication of a marker on the campus of Iowa School for the Deaf. At that spot, exactly 142 years before on July 16, 1846, the Mormon Battalion was mustered into service. The marker acclaims the beginning of the battalion's 2,000-mile trek through the then-uncharted and newly American Southwest to San Diego, Calif.

A short time later, across the river and upstream near Florence, Neb., local Church and civic leaders gathered to



Above, plaque marks site of Cutler's dramatic portrayal of the Prophet Joseph Smith. As he told the story of his



said Zane Lee, president of the Kirtland, Ohio

Descendants return to Kirtland

Photos by Bernie Shultz

Some 200 descendants of Kirtland, Ohio, area settlers participated in a "roots posterity conference," acquainting them with their ancestors.

Pres. T. Kay Edmunds of the Ohio Akron Mission and Shaaron Saunders visit with members of the Lake County Historical Association during conference.

BUFFALO STILL ROAM
FREE IN THE BLACK HILLS.
AT LEFT, MOTHER AND
BABY GRAZING

